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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Mendez & Finer

Serial No.: 09/762,476 ✓

Filed: 27 September 2001

HYBRID YEAST-BACTERIA CLONING
SYSTEM AND USES THEREOF

Group Art Unit: 1636

Examiner: Sandals

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Applicants hereby petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for a one-month extension of time to extend to 24 February 2003 the time for response to the Restriction Requirement mailed 24 December 2002. A check in the amount of \$55.00 for the extension fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(b) is attached. This Petition is being filed in duplicate.

The Commissioner hereby is authorized to charge payment of any fees under 37 C.F.R. §1.17 which may become due in connection with the instant application to Deposit Account No. 18-2220.

Respectfully submitted,

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